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TITLE: CONVEYOR BELT

AMENDMENT "A"

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of March 20, 2006, a response being due by June 20, 2006,
please consider the following remarks:

REMARKS

Upon entry of the present amendments, previous Claims 1- 7 have been canceled and new Claims 8 - 13 substituted therefor. Reconsideration of the rejections, in light of the forgoing amendments and present remarks, is respectfully requested. The present amendments have been entered for the purpose of placing the claim language into a condition for allowance.

In the Office Action, Claims 1 - 7 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. The specification was objected to as being a rough translation of the French language application. The drawings were objected as not including reference signs identified in the description. A substitute specification was required. Importantly, it was indicated that Claims 1 -

3 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the formality objections. Claims 4 - 7 were also indicated as being allowable.

As an overview to the present reply, Applicant has extensively amended the original claim language in the form of new Claims 8 - 13. New Claims 8 - 13 express the original limitations, but express such limitations in a more proper U.S. format, including proper antecedent bases and proper structural interrelationships throughout. Any indefinite terminology found in the original claim language has been corrected herein.

A Substitute Specification is also included herein. This Substitute Specification contains no new matter. The new Specification describes the present invention in a proper format.

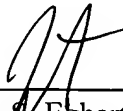
FIGURE 7 of the drawings has been revised so as to include the reference numerals "48" and "49". A Replacement Sheet of drawings is inclosed herewith.

Based upon the foregoing analysis, Applicant contends that independent Claims 8, 9, and 10 are now in a proper condition for allowance. Additionally, those claims which are dependent upon these independent claims should also be in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the rejections and

allowance of the claims at an early date is earnestly solicited. Since no new claims have been added above those originally paid for, no additional fee is required.

Respectfully submitted,

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Amendment A: DRAWING AMENDMENTS

Please replace the original drawings of Figs. 3 - 8 with the enclosed "Replacement Sheet".